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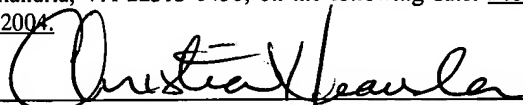
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**NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL**

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

**Inventor(s): DAVID LEVY AND PAUL DODD**

**For: SELF ENERGIZING CONNECTOR**

**1. Type of Application**

This new application is for a(n):

☒ Utility application.

**The present application claims priority to co-pending U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/461,072 filed April 08, 2003.**

**2. Papers Enclosed Which Are Required For Filing Date Under 37 CFR 1.53(b) (Regular) or 37 CFR 1.153 (Design) Application**

8 Pages of specification

3 Pages of claims

1 Page of abstract

6 Sheets of ☒ informal or ☐ formal drawings (FIG 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6)

**3. Declaration or Oath**

☒ Enclosed executed by inventor.

4. **Non-publication Request under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2)(B)(i)**

☒ Enclosed and signed in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.33(b).

5. **Language**

☒ English

6. **Fee Calculation (37 CFR 1.16)**

☒ Utility application

A. Number of claims as filed 15

B. Number of independent claims as filed 2

Filing Fee Calculation [ $\$770 + [(A-20) \times \$18 + (B-3) \times \$86]$ ] \$ 770.00

7. **Small Entity Statement(s)**

☒ Applicant claims small entity under 37 CFR § 1.27.

Filing Fee Calculation (50% of above) \$ 385.00

8. **Fee Payment Being Made At This Time**

☒ Enclosed

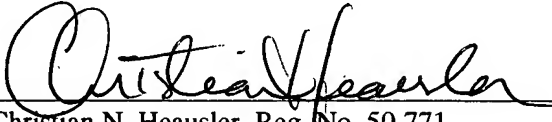
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Total fees enclosed \$ 385.00

9. **Method of Payment of Fees**

☒ Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the \$ 385.00 filing fees and any other fee deficiencies to Deposit Account No. 50-1313 in the name of Buskop Law Group. A duplicate copy of this transmittal is attached.

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In re application of: David Levy and Paul Dodd      Group Art Unit: Not Assigned

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Filed: Concurrently herewith

For: Self Energizing Connector      Atty Dkt No.: 1237.01A

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